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1 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, Autism spectrum disorders can affect all
3 individuals, regardless of racial, ethnic, economic, and
4 social groups; and

5 WHEREAS, About 1 in 88 children have been identified with
6 an autism spectrum disorder; and

7 WHEREAS, About 1 in 6 children in the United States had a
8 developmental disability in 2006-2008; and

9 WHEREAS, Autism spectrum disorders are more common than
10 pediatric cancer, diabetes, and AIDS combined; therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
12 NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE
13 SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that we urge the administrators of
14 all museums and zoos in the State of Illinois to have a day
15 during the month of April, which is Autism Awareness Month,
16 dedicated to individuals with autism spectrum disorders for the
17 purpose of urging the public to become more aware and educated
18 on autism spectrum disorders and to give families with a loved
19 one affected by autism spectrum disorder a day where they can
20 enjoy museums and zoos at their leisure; and be it further

1 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be made
2 available to every museum and zoo in the State of Illinois.